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Letter dated 2 October 1992 from the Permanent Representative of the Republic of Moldova to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith a letter dated 2 October 1992 from Mr. Nicolae Tau, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Moldova, on the negotiations between Moldova and the Russian Federation on the withdrawal of military forces from the territory of Moldova and the respect for human rights in the eastern districts of the Republic of Moldova (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 69, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Tudor PANTIRU
Ambassador
Permanent Representative of
the Republic of Moldova

ANNEX

Letter dated 2 October 1992 from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Moldova addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to refer to our meeting on 1 October 1992 and to my address before the General Assembly.

As I informed you during our discussion, although the signing by the Presidents of Moldova and the Russian Federation of the Agreement on the principles for the peaceful resolution of the conflict in the Dniestr districts of the Republic of Moldova on 21 July 1992 has produced some positive results, the situation in the conflict area continues to be tense, and there is a high possibility that it will become unstable. The negotiations between the Government of the Republic of Moldova and the Government of the Russian Federation aimed at setting a date for the withdrawal of the 14th Russian Army from the territory of my country have started under the provisions of the above-mentioned Agreement, but there has been little progress since then. The Russian Federation is delaying the negotiations and the beginning of the withdrawal of its military forces.

Another problem we are facing is the grave violations of human rights in the eastern districts of the Republic of Moldova. Some of them I had the occasion to address in my statement before the General Assembly.

Against this background, I should be grateful if you would consider the possibility, with the consent of the Russian Federation, of the participation of United Nations observers in the negotiations between the Republic of Moldova and the Russian Federation on the withdrawal of the 14th Army from the territory of Moldova until their successful conclusion and in the process of monitoring the withdrawal of the military forces.

Furthermore, we consider it is necessary, and we would like to request, that a team of United Nations experts be assigned for a long period of time to investigate and to monitor the observance of human rights in the Dniestr districts of the Republic of Moldova.

I deeply believe that through the above-proposed actions the United Nations will decisively contribute to the final settlement of the conflict in the Republic of Moldova.

(Signed) Nicolae TAU
Minister for Foreign Affairs of
the Republic of Moldova